

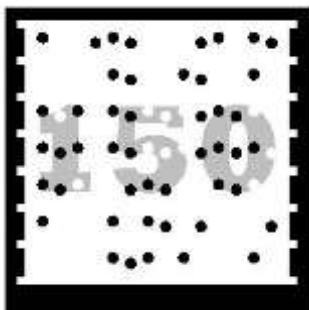


Looking for a unique destination in 2012? We invite you to join the National Park Service at Homestead National Monument of America in sharing a story that covers 270 million acres, is tied to as many as 93 million Americans, spanned 123 years and is directly tied to the development of the largest agriculture superpower in the history of the World! In 2012 our Nation will observe the 150th Anniversary of this remarkable story that started with one of the most significant laws ever created in the history of the United States;

The Homestead Act of 1862.

Homestead National Monument of America, a National Park Site nestled in the southeast corner of Nebraska about 35 miles south of Lincoln, was created to retain for posterity a proper memorial to the hardships of pioneer life and the impacts the Homestead Act of 1862 had on immigration, agriculture, industry, westward expansion, and disposition of the American Indians.

Plan an exciting tour of Homestead National Monument of America now! View a truly remarkable piece of legislation that changed the story of our Nation, beginning one hundred and fifty years ago and continuing today! For the first time in its history, the entire Homestead Act document will be on public display outside Washington D.C., **April 25, 2012 through May 28, 2012**, at the Monument. We not only invite you, but encourage you to visit, and influence any other related organizations or groups to participate in this momentous occasion in our Nation's history! This National Monument boasts award winning facilities; the Homestead Heritage Center with our country's National Homesteading Museum, the Homesteading Education Center, agricultural implement exhibits, historic buildings, the National Park Service's oldest restored tall-grass prairie, hiking trails, picnic areas, with many on-going events and activities. Not only does the Monument share this meaningful history, it can be fun and an enjoyable experience for all!



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